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The Honorable Toby Roth  
U. S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Congressman Roth:

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY

Thank you for your letter of February 13, 1996, on behalf of your constituent, Joe Bise, regarding the Commission's decision to freeze acceptance of paging applications. Mr. Bise expresses concern that the suspension of processing of paging applications will adversely affect small businesses that provide paging services.

The Commission is currently conducting a rulemaking proceeding that proposes to transition from licensing paging frequencies on a transmitter-by-transmitter basis to a geographic licensing approach, using auctions to award licenses where there are mutually exclusive applications. In conjunction with that proceeding, the Commission initially froze processing of applications for paging frequencies. On April 23, 1996, the Commission released a First Report and Order in WT Docket 96-18 and PP Docket 93-253, which adopted interim measures governing the licensing of paging systems and partially lifted the interim freeze for incumbent paging licensees. For your convenience and information, enclosed is a copy of the Press Release concerning the First Report and Order, which includes a summary of the principal decisions made. Specifically, small and medium sized incumbent paging companies will be permitted to expand their service areas if the proposed new site is within 65 kilometers (40 miles) of an authorized and operating site. These interim rules will remain in effect until the Commission adopts final rules in the paging proceeding.

Thank you for your inquiry.

Sincerely,

David L. Furth  
Chief, Commercial Wireless Division  
Wireless Telecommunications Bureau

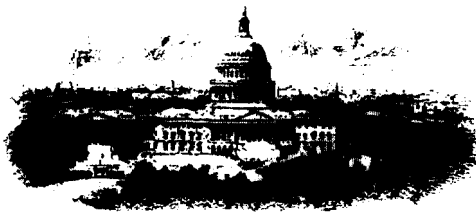
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Ms. Judith L. Harris  
Director, Legislative Affairs  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Dear Ms. Harris,

Enclosed please find correspondence I have recently received from my constituent Joe Bise of Green Bay, Wisconsin.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could respond to the concerns expressed. Please address your reply to the attention of Lisa Monroe in my Washington office.

Thank you very much for your kind assistance.

Sincerely,

*Toby Roth*  
Toby Roth  
Member of Congress

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## OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN TOBY ROTH

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Description:

FCC freeze on paging licenses in ~~Northwest~~ Northeast WI (Vilas & Oneida Cties). He's a volume user & it's hampering his ability to meet his needs, particularly in regard to responses to emergencies.

Wants TR to call him. Says there's other matters

"I hereby authorize the (agency) \_\_\_\_\_ to release information from my records concerning this matter to my Congressman, Toby Roth."

Date

Signature

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he wants to discuss - FCC things in Budget Bill.

cc: Commercial Wireless Division  
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